ORDER NO. 174-2004

UPON THE APPLICATION OF SOMONT OIL CO., INC TO CREATE A 40-ACRE SPACING UNIT FOR THE DRILLING OF A TEST WELL IN THE NW1/4SW1/4 OF SECTION 17, T34N-R1W, TOOLE COUNTY, MONTANA, WITH ANY OIL WELLS TO BE NOT CLOSER THAN 220 FEET FROM THE BOUNDARY OF THE QUARTER QUARTER SECTION LINE AND NO GAS WELLS TO BE CLOSER THAN 330 FEET FROM THE BOUNDARY OF THE QUARTER QUARTER SECTION LINE. APPLICANT ALSO REQUESTS THAT ANY PRODUCTION FROM THE NW1/4SW1/4 BE SHARED AMONG THE MINERAL OWNERS AND THEIR LEASES IN PROPORTION TO RESPECTIVE SURFACE ACREAGE EACH MINERAL ESTATE HAS IN THE 40-ACRE SPACING UNIT. THE APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS THAT ONLY ONE GAS WELL PER PRODUCTIVE HORIZON BE PERMITTED IN THE NW1/4SW1/4 OF SAID SECTION 17. [KEVIN-SUNBURST FIELD]

Docket No. 200-2004

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 15th day of July, 2004 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Billings Sheraton in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Denzil Young was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.

BOARD ORDER NO. 174-2004

- 2. The applicant proposes to create a 40-acre spacing unit for the drilling of a test well in the NW¼SW¼ of Section 17, T34N-R1W, Toole County, Montana, with any oil wells to be located not closer than 220 feet from the boundary of the quarter quarter section line and no gas wells to be closer than 330 feet from the boundary of the quarter quarter section line. Applicant also requests that any production from the NW¼SW¼ be shared among the mineral owners and their leases in proportion to respective surface acreage each mineral estate has in the 40-acre spacing unit. The applicant further requests that only one gas well per productive horizon be permitted in the NW¼SW¼ of said Section 17
- 3. The evidence indicates that granting the application in the manner hereinafter set forth will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Somont Oil Company, Inc. is granted as applied for.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of July, 2004.

OF THE STATE OF MONTANA	
David Ballard, Chairman	
Jerry Kennedy, Board Member	
Jack King, Board Member	
Allen Kolstad, Board Member	
Elaine Mitchell, Board Member	
Gary Willis, Board Member	

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION

Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary

ATTEST:

UPON THE APPLICATION OF SOMONT OIL CO., INC TO ALLOW AN INCREASED DENSITY IN THE AMANDA FIELD FOR THE S½ OF SECTION 31, T37N-R3W; SECTIONS 5, 6, 7, 8, 18 AND THE W½ OF SECTION 17, T36N-R3W; AND SECTIONS 12 AND 13, T36N-R4W, TOOLE COUNTY, MONTANA, WITH ALL DRILLING DENSITIES INCREASED TO TWO (2) WELLS PER 320-ACRE SPACING UNIT WITH ONE WELL PERMITTED IN EACH QUARTER SECTION LOCATED NO CLOSER THAN 660 FEET FROM SECTION LINES WITH A 75-FOOT TOPOGRAPHIC TOLERANCE.

ORDER NO. 175-2004

Docket No. 201-2004

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 15th day of July, 2004 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Billings Sheraton in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Denzil Young was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. Prior to the day of the hearing, applicant modified its application to eliminate the request for topographic tolerance and requested that locations for the additional wells be governed by the existing field setback.
- 3. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

<u>Order</u>

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Somont Oil Company, Inc. is granted as applied for with the exception that no topographic tolerance is allowed.

BOARD ORDER NO. 175-2004

	BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION OF THE STATE OF MONTANA
	David Ballard, Chairman
	Jerry Kennedy, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Allen Kolstad, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Gary Willis, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

UPON THE APPLICATION OF HAWLEY-DESIMON INC. TO CONVERT THE COPLEY #4 WELL IN THE SWSENE OF SECTION 15, T27N-R4W, PONDERA COUNTY, MONTANA, AT A LOCATION 2420' FNL AND 1100' FEL TO A SALT WATER DISPOSAL WELL. [PONDERA FIELD] ORDER NO. 176-2004

Docket No. 202-2004

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 15th day of July, 2004 in the Conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Billings Sheraton in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Denzil Young was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Hawley-Desimon Inc. is granted as applied for, subject to stipulations on the Sundry Notice.

BOARD ORDER NO. 176-2004

	BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION OF THE STATE OF MONTANA
	David Ballard, Chairman
	Jerry Kennedy, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Allen Kolstad, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Gary Willis, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

UPON THE APPLICATION OF STAGHORN ENERGY, LLC TO CREATE A TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTIONS 35 AND 36, T22N-R59E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, AND TO DRILL A HORIZONTAL BAKKEN FORMATION WELL THEREON AT ANY LOCATION NOT CLOSER THAN 660 FEET TO THE BOUNDARIES OF SAID TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT.

ORDER NO. 177-2004

Docket No. 203-2004

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 15th day of July, 2004 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Billings Sheraton in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Denzil Young was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Staghorn Energy, LLC is granted as applied for.

BOARD ORDER NO. 177-2004

	BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION OF THE STATE OF MONTANA
	David Ballard, Chairman
	Jerry Kennedy, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Allen Kolstad, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Gary Willis, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

UPON THE APPLICATION OF LYCO ENERGY CORPORATION TO DRILL AN ADDITIONAL HORIZONTAL BAKKEN FORMATION WELL IN THE PERMANENT SPACING UNIT ESTABLISHED BY BOARD ORDER 118-2004 COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTION 21, T24N-R55E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, AT ANY LOCATION BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 660 FEET TO THE BOUNDARIES OF SAID PERMANENT SPACING UNIT.

ORDER NO. 178-2004

Docket No. 204-2004

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 15th day of July, 2004 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Billings Sheraton in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Denzil Young was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Lyco Energy Corporation is granted as applied for.

BOARD ORDER NO. 178-2004

	BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION OF THE STATE OF MONTANA
	David Ballard, Chairman
	Jerry Kennedy, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Allen Kolstad, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Gary Willis, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

ORDER NO. 179-2004

UPON THE APPLICATION OF DEVON LOUISIANA CORPORATION TO DRILL AN ADDITIONAL EAGLE SAND FORMATION GAS WELL 1600' FNL AND 700' FEL OF SECTION 11, T25N-R18E, BLAINE COUNTY, MONTANA, WITH A 200-FOOT TOLERANCE IN ANY DIRECTION FOR TOPOGRAPHIC AND/OR ARCHAEOLOGICAL REASONS AS AN EXCEPTION TO A.R.M. 36.22.702.

Docket No. 207-2004

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 15th day of July, 2004 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Billings Sheraton in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Denzil Young was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

<u>Order</u>

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Devon Louisiana Corporation is granted as applied for.

BOARD ORDER NO. 179-2004

	BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION OF THE STATE OF MONTANA
	David Ballard, Chairman
	Jerry Kennedy, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Allen Kolstad, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Gary Willis, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

UPON THE APPLICATION OF DEVON LOUISIANA CORPORATION TO DRILL AN ADDITIONAL EAGLE SAND FORMATION GAS WELL 2350' FSL AND 400' FEL OF SECTION 19, T30N-R16E, HILL COUNTY, MONTANA, WITH A 50-FOOT TOLERANCE IN ANY DIRECTION FOR TOPOGRAPHIC REASONS AS AN EXCEPTION TO BOARD ORDERS 10-70 AND 66-91.

ORDER NO. 180-2004

Docket No. 208-2004

(TIGER RIDGE FIELD)

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 15th day of July, 2004 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Billings Sheraton in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Denzil Young was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Devon Louisiana Corporation is granted as applied for.

BOARD ORDER NO. 180-2004

	BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION OF THE STATE OF MONTANA
	David Ballard, Chairman
	Jerry Kennedy, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Allen Kolstad, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Gary Willis, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

UPON THE APPLICATION OF ENCORE OPERATING, L.P. TO CERTIFY THAT ITS HORIZONTAL RE-ENTRY INTO THE SP 23-13AH WELL (API # 25-109-21062) IN WIBAUX COUNTY, MONTANA, IS QUALIFIED FOR THE SEVERANCE TAX REDUCTIONS AVAILABLE FOR SAID RE-ENTRIES. (PINE FIELD) ORDER NO. 181-2004

Docket No. 209-2004

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 15th day of July, 2004 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Billings Sheraton in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Denzil Young was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
 - 2. The evidence indicates that Encore Operating L.P. is entitled to the certification requested.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that staff is directed to certify to the Montana Department of Revenue that the subject well is qualified for the severance tax reductions available for horizontal re-entries.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that staff submit the appropriate certification to the Department of Revenue.

BOARD ORDER NO. 181-2004

	BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION OF THE STATE OF MONTANA
	David Ballard, Chairman
	Jerry Kennedy, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Allen Kolstad, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Gary Willis, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

UPON THE APPLICATION OF ENCORE OPERATING, L.P. TO DESIGNATE ALL OF SECTION 1, T13N-R55E, DAWSON COUNTY, MONTANA, AS A 640-ACRE TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT FOR THE RED RIVER FORMATION. AND TO DRILL A STACKED LATERAL HORIZONTAL TEST WELL IN SAID TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT PROVIDING THAT THE HORIZONTAL LATERALS SHALL AT NO POINT PENETRATE THE RED RIVER FORMATION AT A DISTANCE OF LESS THAN 100 FEET FROM THE SOUTHERN BOUNDARY AND 660 FEET FROM THE REMAINING EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES OF THE TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT AS AN EXCEPTION TO A.R.M. 36.22.703.

ORDER NO. 182-2004

Docket No. 211-2004

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 15th day of July, 2004 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Billings Sheraton in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Denzil Young was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Encore Operating, L.P. is granted as applied for.

BOARD ORDER NO. 182-2004

	BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION OF THE STATE OF MONTANA
	David Ballard, Chairman
	Jerry Kennedy, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Allen Kolstad, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Gary Willis, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	
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UPON THE APPLICATION OF KEESUN CORP. TO ENLARGE THE CUT BANK FIELD BY ADDING THERETO ALL OF SECTIONS 22 AND 27, T37N-R4W, TOOLE COUNTY, MONTANA. ORDER NO. 183-2004

Docket No. 212 -2004

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 15th day of July, 2004 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Billings Sheraton in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Denzil Young was absent and Jack King recused himself from the hearing on this matter. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. At the hearing, applicant withdrew its request to add Section 27, T37N-R4W, Toole County, Montana. to the Cut Bank Field.
- 3. The evidence indicates that granting the application as modified will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the Cut Bank Field is enlarged by adding thereto all of Section 22, T37N-R4W, Toole County, Montana.

BOARD ORDER NO. 183-2004

	BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION OF THE STATE OF MONTANA
	David Ballard, Chairman
	Jerry Kennedy, Board Member
	Allen Kolstad, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Gary Willis, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

ORDER NO. 184-2004

UPON THE APPLICATION OF OMIMEX CANADA, LTD FOR AN EXCEPTION TO A.R.M. 36.22.702 TO DRILL TWO ADDITIONAL GAS WELLS IN SECTION 30, T35N-R21E, BLAINE COUNTY, MONTANA: THE #8-30 EAGLE FORMATION TEST WELL LOCATED APPROXIMATELY 1500' FNL AND 1150' FEL, AND THE #11-30 EAGLE FORMATION TEST WELL LOCATED APPROXIMATELY 2300' FSL AND 2350' FWL. APPLICANT ALSO REQUESTS A 75-FOOT TOLERANCE IN ANY DIRECTION FOR TOPOGRAPHIC REASONS AND PERMISSION TO COMMINGLE DOWN HOLE NATURAL GAS FROM DIFFERENT ZONES, FORMATIONS OR HORIZONS AND TO PRODUCE SAID NATURAL GAS THROUGH THE SAME STRING OF CASING AND WELL BORE.

Docket No. 215-2004

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 15th day of July, 2004 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Billings Sheraton in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Denzil Young was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. At the hearing, applicant modified its application in two ways: the 8-30 well location was moved and the well is now called the 7-30 well, and the location of the 11-30 well has been moved south of the location stated in the application.
- 3. The evidence indicates that granting the application as modified will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that applicant is authorized to drill two additional gas wells in Section 30, T35N-R21E, Blaine County, Montana. Applicant may drill its #7-30 Eagle Formation test well at a location approximately 1482' FNL and 1409' FEL, and the #11-30 Eagle Formation test well at a location approximately 2227 FSL and 2013 FWL. Applicant is authorized a 100-foot tolerance in any direction for topographic reasons and is further authorized to commingle down hole natural gas from different zones, formations or horizons and to produce said natural gas through the same string of casing and well bore.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units which contain both federal and non-federal land shall be submitted to the authorized officer of the Bureau of Land Management prior to or upon completion of a producible well.

Done and performed by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana at Billings, Montana, this 15th day of July, 2004.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION

	OF THE STATE OF MONTANA
	David Ballard, Chairman
	David Bandrd, Chamman
	Jerry Kennedy, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Allen Kolstad, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Gary Willis, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

ORDER NO. 185-2004

UPON THE APPLICATION OF OMIMEX CANADA, LTD FOR AN EXCEPTION TO A.R.M. 36.22.702 TO ALLOW THE DRILLING OF A SECOND EAGLE FORMATION NATURAL GAS WELL IN SECTION 31, T35N-R21E, BLAINE COUNTY, MONTANA, APPROXIMATELY 1150' FSL AND 1800' FEL OF SAID SECTION 31. APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS A 75-FOOT TOLERANCE IN ANY DIRECTION FOR TOPOGRAPHIC REASONS AND PERMISSION TO COMMINGLE DOWN HOLE NATURAL GAS FROM DIFFERENT ZONES, FORMATIONS OR HORIZONS AND TO PRODUCE SAID NATURAL GAS THROUGH THE SAME STRING OF CASING AND WELL BORE.

Docket No. 216-2004

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 15th day of July, 2004 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Billings Sheraton in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Denzil Young was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. At the hearing, applicant modified its application to eliminate the request for topographic tolerance and to change the location of the proposed well.
- 3. The evidence indicates that granting the application as modified will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that Omimex Canada, Ltd. is authorized to drill a Second Eagle Formation natural gas well in Section 31, T35N-R21E, Blaine County, Montana, at a location 1182' FSL and 1738' FEL.

BOARD ORDER NO. 185-2004

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Omimex Canada, Ltd. is authorized to commingle down hole natural gas from different zones, formations or horizons and to produce said natural gas through the same string of casing and wellbore.

	BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION OF THE STATE OF MONTANA
	David Ballard, Chairman
	Jerry Kennedy, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Allen Kolstad, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Gary Willis, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

ORDER NO. 186-2004

UPON THE APPLICATION OF
OMIMEX CANADA, LTD FOR AN
EXCEPTION TO A.R.M. 36.22.702 TO ALLOW
THE DRILLING OF AN EAGLE FORMATION
NATURAL GAS TEST WELL IN SECTION 33,
T35N-R20E, BLAINE COUNTY, MONTANA,
APPROXIMATELY 850' FWL AND 1200' FSL
OF SAID SECTION 33. APPLICANT FURTHER
REQUESTS A 75-FOOT TOLERANCE IN ANY
DIRECTION FOR TOPOGRAPHIC REASONS
AND PERMISSION TO COMMINGLE DOWN
HOLE NATURAL GAS FROM DIFFERENT
ZONES, FORMATIONS OR HORIZONS AND
TO PRODUCE SAID NATURAL GAS THROUGH
THE SAME STRING OF CASING AND WELL BORE.

Docket No. 217-2004

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 15th day of July, 2004 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Billings Sheraton in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Denzil Young was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
 - 2. At the hearing applicant modified its application by changing the location of the proposed well.
- 3. The evidence indicates that granting the application as modified will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that Omimex Canada, Ltd. is authorized to drill an Eagle Formation natural gas test well in Section 33, T35N-R20E, Blaine County, Montana, at a location 627' FWL and 778' FSL of said Section 33 with a 100-foot tolerance in any direction for topographic reasons.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that applicant is authorized to commingle down hole natural gas from different zones, formations or horizons and to produce said natural gas through the same string of casing and well bore.

BOARD ORDER NO. 186-2004

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Omimex Canada, Ltd. must return after first production for a spacing hearing if the well is successful. No distribution of funds shall be made until the well is permanently spaced.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units which contain both federal and non-federal land shall be submitted to the authorized officer of the Bureau of Land Management prior to or upon completion of a producible well.

	OF THE STATE OF MONTANA
	David Ballard, Chairman
	Jerry Kennedy, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Allen Kolstad, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Gary Willis, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

UPON THE APPLICATION OF KLABZUBA OIL & GAS, INC. TO DRILL AN ADDITIONAL EAGLE SAND/NIOBRARA FORMATION GAS WELL AT A LOCATION 1065' FNL AND 1764' FWL OF SECTION 13, T36N-R15E, HILL COUNTY, MONTANA, WITH A 25-FOOT TOLERANCE IN ANY DIRECTION FOR TOPOGRAPHIC REASONS AS AN EXCEPTION TO A.R.M. 36.22.702. APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS PERMISSION TO COMMINGLE GAS PRODUCED IN THE DUSEK #13-3-36-15B WELL BORE FROM THE JUDITH RIVER, EAGLE SAND AND/OR NIOBRARA FORMATIONS.

ORDER NO. 187-2004

Docket No. 218-2004

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 15th day of July, 2004 in the Conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Billings Sheraton in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Denzil Young was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Klabzuba Oil & Gas, Inc. is granted as applied for.

BOARD ORDER NO. 187-2004

	BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION OF THE STATE OF MONTANA
	David Ballard, Chairman
	Jerry Kennedy, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Allen Kolstad, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Gary Willis, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

UPON THE APPLICATION OF KLABZUBA OIL & GAS, INC. TO DESIGNATE THE S½ OF SECTION 19, AND THE N½ OF SECTION 30, T33N-R17E, HILL COUNTY, MONTANA, AS A TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT AND AUTHORIZING COMPLETION OF THE STATE #30-33-17 WELL IN THE NIOBRARA FORMATION WITHIN SAID TRACT AT A LOCATION 200' FNL AND 990' FEL OF SAID SECTION 30, AS AN EXCEPTION TO A.R.M. 36.22.702.

ORDER NO. 188-2004

Docket No. 219-2004

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 15th day of July, 2004 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Billings Sheraton in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Denzil Young was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Klabzuba Oil & Gas, Inc. is granted as applied for.

BOARD ORDER NO. 188-2004

	BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION OF THE STATE OF MONTANA
	David Ballard, Chairman
	Jerry Kennedy, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Allen Kolstad, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Gary Willis, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

UPON THE APPLICATION OF PETRO-HUNT, LLC TO DRILL A WELL TO A DEPTH OF APPROXIMATELY 7750 FEET TO TEST THE NISKU FORMATION AT A LOCATION APPROXIMATELY 990' FEL AND 2450' FNL OF SECTION 1, T29N-R48E, ROOSEVELT COUNTY, MONTANA. APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS THAT A TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT BE CREATED CONSISTING OF THE S½NE¼ AND THE N½SE¼ OF SAID SECTION 1. APPLICANT REQUESTED THIS APPLICATION BE PLACED ON THE DEFAULT DOCKET BUT DOES NOT REQUEST AUTOMATIC CONTINUANCE IN THE EVENT OF PROTEST.

ORDER NO. 189-2004

Docket No. 220-2004

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 15th day of July, 2004 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Billings Sheraton in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Denzil Young was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. Prior to hearing, it was determined that this application also contained lands under the jurisdiction of the federal Bureau of Land Management (BLM). At BLM'S request this docket was also heard as Docket 20-2004 FED, and the BLM will issue an order applicable to the lands under its jurisdiction.
- 3. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of Petro-Hunt, LLC is granted as applied for.

BOARD ORDER NO. 189-2004

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units which contain both federal and non-federal land shall be submitted to the authorized officer of the Bureau of Land Management prior to or upon completion of a producible well.

	BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION OF THE STATE OF MONTANA
	David Ballard, Chairman
	Jerry Kennedy, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Allen Kolstad, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Gary Willis, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

UPON THE APPLICATION OF
J. BURNS BROWN OPERATING COMPANY
TO DRILL AN EAGLE FORMATION GAS
WELL IN A 640-ACRE TEMPORARY SPACING
UNIT CONSISTING OF THE W½ OF SECTION
16 AND THE E½ OF SECTION 17, T35N-R18E,
BLAINE COUNTY, MONTANA, AT A
LOCATION 2600' FNL AND 100' FWL OF SAID
SECTION 16, WITH A 75-FOOT TOLERANCE
FOR TOPOGRAPHIC REASONS AS AN
EXCEPTION TO A.R.M. 36.22.702.

ORDER NO. 190-2004

Docket No. 222-2004

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 15th day of July, 2004 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Billings Sheraton in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Denzil Young was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of J. Burns Brown Operating Company is granted as applied for.

BOARD ORDER NO. 190-2004

	OF THE STATE OF MONTANA
	David Ballard, Chairman
	Jerry Kennedy, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Allen Kolstad, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Gary Willis, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

UPON THE APPLICATION OF PETROSEARCH OPERATING COMPANY, LLC TO CREATE A TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT THAT ENCOMPASSES 80 ACRES IN THE E½NW¼ AND 80 ACRES IN THE W½NE¼ OF SECTION 4, T37N-R55E, SHERIDAN COUNTY, MONTANA, AS AN EXCEPTION TO A.R.M. 36.22.702, AND TO DRILL A WELL ANYWHERE WITHIN THE 160-ACRE SPACING UNIT BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 660 FEET TO THE OUTSIDE BOUNDARIES THEREOF. APPLICANT FURTHER REQUESTS THAT THE BOARD ISSUE AN ORDER FORCE POOLING THE INTERESTS IN THE PROPOSED TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT AS MINERAL OWNERSHIP IN EACH OF THE 80-ACRE TRACTS ARE DIFFERENT.

ORDER NO. 191-2004

Docket No. 223-2004

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 15th day of July, 2004 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Billings Sheraton in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Denzil Young was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
 - 2. Applicant withdrew the request for a pooing order prior to the hearing.
- 3. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the temporary spacing unit described in the caption is hereby created.

BOARD ORDER NO. 191-2004

	BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION OF THE STATE OF MONTANA
	David Ballard, Chairman
	Jerry Kennedy, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Allen Kolstad, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Gary Willis, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

ORDER NO. 192-2004

UPON THE APPLICATION OF ENCORE OPERATING, L.P. TO APPROVE AND CERTIFY THE LITTLE BEAVER EAST FIELD IN FALLON COUNTY, MONTANA, AS A TERTIARY RECOVERY PROJECT EFFECTIVE AS OF APRIL 1, 2004, AND TO CERTIFY THE PRODUCTION DECLINE RATES USED TO CALCULATE INCREMENTAL PRODUCTION IN THE PROJECT AREA.

Docket No. 157-2004

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 15th day of July, 2004 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Billings Sheraton in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Denzil Young was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. At the hearing, applicant modified its application in two ways: the project area is now a participating area in two existing federal units, and the exhibits presented reflect the new areas; and requests that staff be authorized to certify the decline rate based on volumetrics at the time the tertiary project commences, with the effective date being the date of first air injection.
- 3. The evidence indicates that the Little Beaver East Field in Fallon County, Montana, is in fact a tertiary recovery project and is entitled to the tax benefits of such a project.
- 4. The evidence indicates that granting the application in the manner hereinafter set forth will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the Little Beaver East Field in Fallon County, Montana, is certified as a tertiary recovery project.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the decline rate and production forecast be based upon the average production rate for the three months immediately preceding the effective date of the tertiary recovery project and declining thereafter at the rate of 12.12 percent per year.

BOARD ORDER NO. 192-2004

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, should an expansion of the project area occur, the production forecast to be used in the calculation of incremental production of the new project area shall be developed by adding the production forecast for the expansion area to any existing forecast.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that future expansion of this tertiary recovery project may be administratively certified and will become effective on the first day of the quarter following the application for expansion.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the effective date of the project is the date of first air injection, and staff is directed to certify the decline rate administratively at that time.

BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION

	OF THE STATE OF MONTANA
	David Ballard, Chairman
	Jerry Kennedy, Board Member
	Jack King, Board Member
	Allen Kolstad, Board Member
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member
	Gary Willis, Board Member
ATTEST:	
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary	

UPON THE APPLICATION OF ENCORE OPERATING, L.P. TO APPROVE AND CERTIFY THE LITTLE BEAVER FIELD IN FALLON COUNTY, MONTANA, AS A TERTIARY RECOVERY PROJECT EFFECTIVE AS OF APRIL 1, 2004, AND TO CERTIFY THE PRODUCTION DECLINE RATES USED TO CALCULATE INCREMENTAL PRODUCTION IN THE PROJECT AREA.

ORDER NO. 193-2004

Docket No. 158-2004

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 15th day of July, 2004 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Billings Sheraton in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Denzil Young was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. At the hearing, applicant modified its application in two ways: the project area is now a participating area in two existing federal limits and the exhibits presented reflect the new areas, and requests staff be authorized to certify the decline rate at the time the tertiary project commences with effective date being the date of first injection.
- 3. The evidence indicates that the Little Beaver Field in Fallon County, Montana, is a tertiary recovery project and is entitled to the tax benefits of such a project.
- 4. The evidence indicates that granting the application in the manner hereinafter set forth will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the Little Beaver Field in Fallon County, Montana, is certified as a tertiary recovery project.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the effective date of the tertiary recovery project shall be the date of first injection and staff is directed to certify the decline rate administratively at that time.

BOARD ORDER NO. 193-2004

	BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION OF THE STATE OF MONTANA	
	David Ballard, Chairman	
	Jerry Kennedy, Board Member	
	Jack King, Board Member	
	Allen Kolstad, Board Member	
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member	
	Gary Willis, Board Member	
ATTEST:		
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary		

UPON THE APPLICATION OF EOG RESOURCES, INC. TO CREATE A TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT COMPRISED OF ALL OF SECTION 35, T26N-R52E AND ALL OF SECTION 2, T25N-R52E, RICHLAND COUNTY, MONTANA, TO DRILL A HORIZONTAL WELL IN THE BAKKEN FORMATION AND TO AUTHORIZE APPLICANT TO LOCATE THE PROPOSED WELL ANYWHERE WITHIN SAID TEMPORARY SPACING UNIT BUT NOT CLOSER THAN 660 FEET TO THE BOUNDARIES THEREOF.

ORDER NO. 194-2004

Docket No. 192-2004

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 15th day of July, 2004 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Billings Sheraton in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Denzil Young was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. The evidence indicates that granting the application will serve to protect correlative rights and be in the interest of conservation of oil and gas in the State of Montana.

<u>Order</u>

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the application of EOG Resources, Inc. is granted as applied for.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that approval of this application for temporary spacing negates and voids any existing applications for permit to drill in Section 35, T26N-R52E or Section 2, T25N-R52E, Richland County, Montana.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a federal communitization agreement for spacing units which contain both federal and non-federal land shall be submitted to the authorized officer of the Bureau of Land Management prior to or upon completion of a producible well.

BOARD ORDER NO. 194-2004

	BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION OF THE STATE OF MONTANA	
	David Ballard, Chairman	
	Jerry Kennedy, Board Member	
	Jack King, Board Member	
	Allen Kolstad, Board Member	
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member	
	Gary Willis, Board Member	
ATTEST:		
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary		

UPON THE BOARD'S OWN MOTION REQUIRING PACER RESOURCES, INC. TO APPEAR AND SHOW CAUSE WHY IT SHOULD NOT IMMEDIATELY PLUG AND ABANDON ITS BN 11-7, BN 1-3 AND BN 1-27 WELLS IN FALLON COUNTY, MONTANA.

ORDER NO. 195-2004

Docket No. 227-2004

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 15th day of July, 2004 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Billings Sheraton in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Denzil Young was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. Mr. Larry Darling, the President of Pacer Resources, Inc. did not appear at the hearing, but sent a letter stating the company no longer exists and has not been registered in either Canada or the United States for over ten years.

Order

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the bond of Pacer Resources, Inc. is hereby forfeited. Should the forfeited bond proceeds be insufficient to pay for proper plugging and abandoning of said wells, the Board reserves the right to pursue further action against Pacer Resources, Inc.

BOARD ORDER NO. 195-2004

	BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION OF THE STATE OF MONTANA	
	David Ballard, Chairman	
	Jerry Kennedy, Board Member	
	Jack King, Board Member	
	Allen Kolstad, Board Member	
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member	
	Gary Willis, Board Member	
ATTEST:		
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary		

UPON THE BOARD'S OWN MOTION REQUIRING CONCEPT RESOURCES, INC. TO APPEAR AND SHOW CAUSE WHY IT SHOULD NOT IMMEDIATELY PLUG AND ABANDON ITS COPULOS 4-18 WELL IN STILLWATER COUNTY, MONTANA.

ORDER NO. 196-2004

Docket No. 228-2004

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 15th day of July, 2004 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Billings Sheraton in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Denzil Young was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. Mr. Larry Darling, President of Concept Resources, Inc. did not appear at the hearing, but submitted a letter stating Concept Resources, Inc. is non-existent and has not been registered in either the United States or Canada for over ten years.

<u>Order</u>

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the bond of Concept Resources, Inc. is hereby forfeited. Should the forfeited bond proceeds be insufficient to pay for the cost of properly plugging and abandoning the above-mentioned well, the Board reserves the right to pursue Concept Resources, Inc. further.

BOARD ORDER NO. 196-2204

	BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION OF THE STATE OF MONTANA	
	David Ballard, Chairman	
	Jerry Kennedy, Board Member	
	Jack King, Board Member	
	Allen Kolstad, Board Member	
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member	
	Gary Willis, Board Member	
ATTEST:		
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary		

UPON THE BOARD'S OWN MOTION REQUIRING EMCO ENERGY, INC. TO APPEAR AND SHOW CAUSE WHY IT SHOULD NOT IMMEDIATELY PLUG AND ABANDON ITS RUDOLPH HAYNIE 1-8 WELL IN MCCONE COUNTY, MONTANA.

ORDER NO. 197-2004

Docket No. 229-2004

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 15th day of July, 2004 in the conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Billings Sheraton in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Denzil Young was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. Emco Energy, Inc. did not appear at the hearing, and has not properly plugged and abandoned its Rudolph Haynie 1-8 well in McCone County, Montana, in spite of numerous directions by the staff of this Board to do so.

<u>Order</u>

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the bond of Emco Energy, Inc. covering its Rudolph Haynie 1-8 well in McCone County, Montana, is hereby forfeited.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that should the bond amount be insufficient to pay for plugging and abandoning said well, the Board reserves the right to take further action against Emco Energy, Inc.

BOARD ORDER NO. 197-2004

	BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION OF THE STATE OF MONTANA	
	David Ballard, Chairman	
	Jerry Kennedy, Board Member	
	Jack King, Board Member	
	Allen Kolstad, Board Member	
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member	
	Gary Willis, Board Member	
ATTEST:		
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary		

UPON THE BOARD'S OWN MOTION REQUIRING NEWSTAR ENERGY USA, INC. TO APPEAR AND SHOW CAUSE WHY IT SHOULD NOT IMMEDIATELY RESTORE THE SURFACE OF ITS RUDOLPH HAYNIE 1-31 WELL IN MCCONE COUNTY, MONTANA.

ORDER NO. 198-2004

Docket No. 230-2004

Report of the Board

The above entitled cause came on regularly for hearing on the 15th day of July, 2004 in the Conference room of the Billings Petroleum Club in the Billings Sheraton in Billings, Montana, pursuant to the order of the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana, hereinafter referred to as the Board. Denzil Young was absent. At this time and place testimony was presented, statements and exhibits were received, and the Board then took the cause under advisement; and, the Board having fully considered the testimony, statements and exhibits and all things and matters presented to it for its consideration by all parties in the Docket, and being well and fully advised in the premises, finds and concludes as follows:

Findings of Fact

- 1. Due, proper and sufficient notice was published and given of this matter, the hearing hereon, and of the time and place of said hearing, as well as the purpose of said hearing; all parties were afforded opportunity to present evidence, oral and documentary.
- 2. Newstar Energy USA, Inc. (Newstar) has been directed by the staff of this Board to restore the surface of its Rudolph Haynie 1-31 well in McCone County, Montana, and has failed to do so in spite of repeated requests that this be accomplished.
- 3. Mr. David Pratt, President of Newstar Energy USA, Inc. did not appear at the hearing, but submitted a letter stating Newstar does not object to the forfeiture of its bond; and if the state seeks reimbursement of restoration costs exceeding the forfeited bond amount Newstar has a contract with EMCO Energy, Inc. (EMCO) whereby EMCO is responsible for 100% of the plugging, abandonment and restoration costs of the Rudolph Haynie 1-31 well.

<u>Order</u>

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Board of Oil and Gas Conservation of the State of Montana that the bond of Newstar Energy USA, Inc. is hereby forfeited.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that should the bond amount be insufficient to pay for restoring the surface of the Rudolph Haynie 1-31 well, the Board reserves the right to pursue Newstar Energy USA, Inc. for reimbursement of any costs that exceed the forfeited bond proceeds.

BOARD ORDER NO. 198-2004

	BOARD OF OIL AND GAS CONSERVATION OF THE STATE OF MONTANA	
	David Ballard, Chairman	
	Jerry Kennedy, Board Member	
	Jack King, Board Member	
	Allen Kolstad, Board Member	
	Elaine Mitchell, Board Member	
	Gary Willis, Board Member	
ATTEST:		
Terri H. Perrigo, Executive Secretary		